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The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following praver:

Gracious God, we thank You for the heroes You have set before exemplars like Martin Luther King, Jr., whose voice sounds a clarion call that resonates still today.

May his prayers be ours and his dream our own: that we would live according to Your design that no one would be judged by the color of their skin, or their side of the aisle, but by the content of their character.

Leave us not devoid of the power to forgive but embolden us with the power to love, that we would be willing to risk our position, our prestige, and even our lives for the welfare of our neighbors and the good of this country.

Then one day may this Nation be capable to present itself to be measured not by where we have stood in moments of comfort and convenience but in times of challenge and controversy.

We pray these things, asking for the intelligence to know Your will, the courage to do Your will, and the devotion to love Your will.

In the strength of Your holy name.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. MOONEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MOONEY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(B) of House Resolution 8, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 2 p.m.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

> By Mr. BANKS (for himself, Mr. Moon-EY, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. NORMAN):

H.R. 343. A bill to require States to report information on Medicaid payments to abortion providers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Ms. KUSTER, and Mrs. HAYES):

H.R. 344. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct an analysis of the need for women-specific programs that treat and rehabilitate women veterans with drug and alcohol dependency and to carry out a pilot program regarding such programs; to the Committee on Veterans' Af-

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. Pappas, Ms. Lee of California, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. GRI-JALVA):

H.R. 345. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide abortion counseling to a veteran who has an unwanted pregnancy; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 346. A bill to establish a program providing grants to certain small business concerns to modify or reallocate their productive facilities to begin or increase production of certain medical supplies critical to addressing the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Ms. ESHOO (for herself and Mr. PASCRELL):

H.R. 347. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the disclosure of tax returns of Presidents and Vice Presidents and certain candidates for President and Vice President, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

> By Ms. GARCIA of Texas (for herself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Dingell, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Escobar, Ms. Nor-TON, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. SCANLON, and Mr. Johnson of Georgia):

H.R. 348. A bill to require face masks in Federal facilities to prevent the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

> By Ms. KUSTER (for herself and Mr. JEFFRIES):

H.R. 349. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements to expand and enhance capacity for manufacturing covered products to prevent and control the spread of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BACON, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. UPTON, and Mr. CORREA):

H.R. 350. A bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and Armed Services, for

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a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin:

H.R. 351. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to exclude from income, for the purpose of determining eligibility and benefits, income received from cost of living adjustments made under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act and from supplementary payments received under section 1616 of such Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MORELLE (for himself and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 352. A bill to establish an initiative for national testing, contact tracing, and pandemic response, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

#### By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 353. A bill to modify the Standard Form 86 questionnaire used for national security eligibility determinations to include questions regarding an individual's membership in, or association with, organizations spreading conspiracy theories regarding the Government and participation in the activities occurring at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mr. PERRY, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ROY, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. BALDERSON, and Mrs. LESKO):

H.R. 354. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security and Secretary of State to require aliens applying for certain visas to disclose if they receive funds from the Government of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 355. A bill to require the national instant criminal background check system to notify U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the relevant State and local law enforcement agencies whenever the information available to the system indicates that a person illegally or unlawfully in the United States may be attempting to receive a firearm; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 356. A bill to provide greater flexibility to agencies to make appointments to positions for which there is a severe shortage of candidates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

#### By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 357. A bill to direct Federal departments and agencies to verify eligibility for Federal benefits for individuals 105 years of age or older, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 358. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify regulations concerning hours of service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mrs. Rod-GERS of Washington, and Mrs. HINSON):

H.R. 359. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow individuals who are entitled to Post-9/11 educational assistance to use such assistance to repay Federal student loans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 360. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to automate third-party health insurance billings and collections of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 361. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty in the income tax rate brackets; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 362. A bill to prohibit importation of commercially produced fresh citrus fruit originating from the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 363. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude major professional sports leagues from qualifying as taxexempt organizations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 364. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide eligibility for TRICARE Select to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 365. A bill to provide for the rescheduling of marijuana into schedule III of the Controlled Substances Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. CURTIS, and Mr. WELCH):

H.R. 366. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive or modify application of Medicare requirements with respect to telehealth services during any emergency period, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. TITUS:

H.R. 367. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an acquisition professional career program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mrs. TORRES of California:

H.R. 368. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide United States Secret Service protection to former Vice Presidents, their spouses, and their children under 16, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD (for herself, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. SEWELL, Mrs. McBath, Ms. McCollum, Ms. Barragán, Mr. Lawson of Florida, Ms. Porter, Mr. Payne, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Deutch, and Ms. Scanlon):

H.R. 369. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve affordability and reduce premium costs of health insurance for consumers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN (for herself, Mr. Thompson of Mississippi, Mr. Katko, and Mr. Taylor):

H.R. 370. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. MENG, Ms. LEE of California, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H. Res. 49. A resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp series should be issued honoring women veterans, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp series be issued; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. Mr. Pappas, Mrs. Radewagen, TAKANO. Ms. HOULAHAN. Mr. O'HALLERAN, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. Castor of Florida, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, Mrs. Torres of California, Ms. NORTON, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. PINGREE, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. CASE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. Scanlon, Ms. Spanberger, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. Stevens):

H. Res. 50. A resolution expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the naming of new or undedicated facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs after women veterans and minority veterans in order to reflect the diversity of all who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. Lowenthal, Ms. Meng, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Payne, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. ROY-BAL-ALLARD, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. NOR-TON, Ms. Schakowsky, Mr. Rush, Ms. WILD, Ms. NEWMAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. WELCH, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. CARSON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. McGovern, Mr. FOSTER, Barragán, Ms. Ms. DELAURO, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. LIEU, Mr. SIRES, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. HAS-TINGS, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. McNerney, Mr. Torres of New York, Mr. Kil-MER, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. POCAN, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, and Ms. BROWNLEY):

H. Res. 51. A resolution expressing deep gratitude on behalf of the people of the United States to the journalists and news staff who risked threats of injury and death to chronicle the horrendous details of the insurrection on January 6, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MOOLENAAR (for himself, Mr. Wilson of South Carolina, Mr. Norman, Mr. Bucshon, Mr. Allen, Ms. Foxx, Mr. Walberg, Mr. Banks, Mr. Biggs, and Mr. Gallagher):

H. Res. 52. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of January 24 through January 30, 2021, as "National School Choice Week"; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H. Res. 53. A resolution maintaining North Korea's seizure of the vessel USS Pueblo and its detention of the crew were in violation of international law and seeking the return of the USS Pueblo to the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

## PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. BROWNLEY:

H.R. 371. A bill for the relief of Robert Feiss; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOGGETT:

H.R. 372. A bill for the relief of Alirio Palacios Gamez, Hilda Veronica Ramirez Mendez, and Jayro Ivan Juarez Ramirez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BANKS:

H.R. 343.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress).

By Ms. BROWNLEY:

H.R. 344.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution

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By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 346.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: "The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general welfare of the United States; . . ."

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 347.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 4, clause 1 of the Constitution;

Article I, Section, 8, clause 1 of the Constitution; and

Article I, Section 8, clause 18 of the Constitution.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:

H.R. 348.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. KUSTER:

H.R. 349.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, the Taxing and Spending Clause: "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States . . ."

By Mr. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 350.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin: H.R. 351.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1. Section 8

By Mr. MORELLE:

H.R. 352.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, of the United States Constitution

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 353.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, which gives Congress the power to provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States; the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several states; and the power to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 354.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States:

To borrow money on the credit of the United States:

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;

To establish an uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;

To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

To provide for the Punishment of counterfeiting the Securities and current Coin of the United States;

To establish Post Offices and Post Roads;

To promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries;

To constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court; and Offenses against the Law of Nations:

To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water;

To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;

To provide and maintain a Navy;

To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces;

To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions; To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress:

To exercise exclusive Legislation in all Cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and the acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of the Government of the United States, and to exercise like Authority over all Places purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection

of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings; And

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 355.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1. Section 8

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